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IN THE MATTER OF MARVIN E.

ALBACK,

PETITION FOR

An Attorney at Law,

DETERMINATION

REGARDING LAWYER

Respondent.

CONVICTED OF A

CRIMINAL OFFENSE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Pursuant to Rule 23B of the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement (2002), the Office of Disciplinary Counsel for the State of Montana ("ODC"), hereby petitions the Court as follows:

1. Marvin E. Alback, hereinafter referred to as Respondent, was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Montana in 1982. Respondent was disbarred by the Montana Supreme Court by Order dated February 4, 1988 after he was

convicted of felony theft. Respondent was reinstated to the practice of law in Montana by the Montana Supreme Court by Order dated August 15, 2000.

- 2. Respondent resigned his membership in the State Bar of Montana on November 6, 2009.
- 3. The Clerk of United States District Court for the District of Montana has provided ODC with a certified copy of the Court's May 28, 2010 Judgment in a Criminal Case in *USA v. Alback*, Case No. CR-10-18-BLG-RFC-01. The certified copy of the Judgment is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 4. Respondent pled guilty to Count 1 of an Information, Wire Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343, and to Count 2, Bankruptcy Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 153. On May 26, 2010, he was sentenced to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons for eighteen (18) months on Count 1 and eighteen (18) months on Count 2 to run concurrent. Respondent was also sentenced to three (3) years of supervised release on Count 1 and three (3) years of supervised release on Count 2 to run concurrent and is required to pay restitution.
- 5. The conduct for which Respondent was convicted occurred prior to his resignation.

WHEREFORE, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel prays as follows:

1. That, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement (2002), the Court determine whether the criminal

offenses of which Respondent has been convicted affect the Respondent's ability to practice law;

- 2. If the Court determines that the convictions affect the Respondent's ability to practice law, that the Court, pursuant to Rule 23B, issue an order immediately suspending the lawyer from the practice of law pending final disposition of a disciplinary proceeding predicated upon the conviction and direct Disciplinary Counsel to prepare and file a formal complaint against the Respondent predicated upon the convictions, and,
- 3. For such other and further relief deemed necessary and proper.

 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this Lift day of June, 2010.

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Disciplinary Counsel